Ehud Barak
Prime Minister of Israel (1999-2001)

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Dear Mr. Barak,

We look forward to welcoming you to the 19th St. Petersburg International Economic Forum, which is being convened under the theme **'Time to Act: Shared Paths to Stability and Growth'** on June 18–20, 2015.

The Forum will once again bring together leaders from all walks of life to exchange perspectives and search for solutions to the most pressing challenges facing businesses, policymakers and societies today. This year in particular the Forum will address the need for innovative strategies and common actions to deliver growth and stability across the globe. It will provide an in-depth look at rapidly evolving technologies and new economic trends affecting the global environment and the role of human capital and talent as an underpinning element of economic advancement. As always, there will be a series of sessions offering insight and understanding of the shifts and new opportunities arising from the economic transformation underway in Russia.

In recognition of your thought leadership, we would like to invite you to join the below sessions as a **panelist**:

UNLOCKING THE POTENTIAL GROWTH OF THE KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY;

BUILDING EFFECTIVE CYBER SECURITY SYSTEMS

The programme team will be in touch with you to confirm the precise time and date of the session as well as gain your thoughts as to specific discussion points and session design. We hope that you will accept this invitation and look forward to working with you to ensure a rich and engaging SPIEF 2015.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Prime Minister of the Russian Federation **Sergei Prikhodko**

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